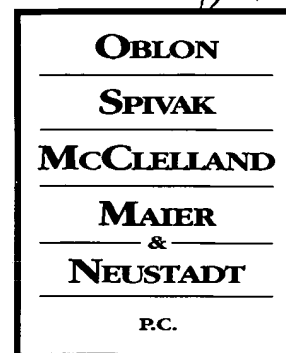




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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In response to the Election of Species requirement dated June 9, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect the species of Figure 2 for examination on the merits, and identify Claims 1-10 as reading on the elected species.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that an examination on the merits of Claims 1-10 be conducted.

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